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WASTE OF WHARF FUNDS LAID BARE

Harbor Board, Confronted by Statement of How Present Wharves Are Going to Pieces, Adopts Progressive Policy--Territory Urged Impose Tonnage Tax And Put Docks on Self-sustaining Basis

FEATURES OF HARBOR BOARD'S BIG IMPROVEMENT PLANS

Abandonment of policy of wood wharf construction; adoption of plan for permanent construction only.
\$400,000 to be spent in acquiring waterfront property in Honolulu.
\$300,000 for wharf construction at Kahului.
\$200,000 for wharf construction at Hilo in addition to completing new Hilo wharf already being built.
Board to work for tonnage tax on cargoes here.
Present unofficial and voluntary shippers' wharf tax may be done away with and territory levy tonnage tax instead.
Bonds to sum of two million dollars to be issued by territory for harbor and wharf-improvement purposes.

Startling figures on the cost of wood construction of territorial wharves, showing that in the last twelve years wharves costing nearly or more than a hundred thousand dollars have needed from forty to ninety per cent of their original expense in repairs, and that today the city is facing immense expenditures for more repairs, were put before the board of harbor commissioners and Governor Frear in a conference late yesterday afternoon.

As a result of the figures, which were presented in a brief statement by Commissioner James Wakefield, the board unanimously adopted a resolution "to establish irrevocably a type of wharf of permanent construction. The governor agreed with the board that the policy of the past is wasting the taxpayer's money."

The Facts and Figures
Commissioner Wakefield's statement sets forth clearly just what the policy of the past years has cost and what it has accomplished. His statement says:

Channel Wharf built in 1900 at a cost of \$87,369.27, and on which a further sum of \$16,400.02 for maintenance has been expended, making a total cost of \$103,769.29. At this time the wharf is practically worthless, and is unsafe for the landing of cargoes other than lumber.

Oceanic Wharf rebuilt in 1903, the sum of \$27,355.00 was expended on this wharf, and in 1904 \$5,378.00 was expended on buildings, \$18,258.88 being spent on the sub-structure, after eight years service this sub-structure has to be removed, the piles being in bad condition, and the loose retaining wall in several places has slipped forward into the harbor.

Brewer Wharf built in 1906 and 1907 at a cost of \$91,510.48 is showing already very serious signs of decay in the sub-structure.
Nuuanu Street Wharf is an old wood pile structure which must be rebuilt immediately funds are available. The present condition of this structure is such as to be a menace to all who use it.

Hackfield Wharf built in 1901 at a cost of \$143,772.85, and on which there has been expended since that date the sum of \$64,252.35, which is equivalent to a little over 44 per cent of its original cost, the working surface of this wharf is now good, but the sub-structure is poor, and within the next four or five years large sums will have to be again expended on the sub-structure.

Alakea Street Wharf, built in 1906 and 1907, is an expensive wharf to maintain, and will within a few years be a large burden of expense to the Territory. Judging from experience with other wharves, the sub-structure of this wharf will have to be renewed within the next five years, and when this renewal is made it should be of the most permanent character possible.

The facts and figures above spoke for themselves to the harbor board. Commissioner Wakefield has spent between six and eight weeks in collecting the figures, and analyzing them, and as a result he declares emphatically:

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JAPANESE SQUAD- RON EXPECTED

Report has reached here that a Japanese Navy training squadron will arrive in Honolulu harbor late in March or early in April on its way to the mainland. Some time will be spent in the vicinity of Honolulu, and a visit may be paid to Hilo. Nothing definite is known as to the number of vessels in the squadron but at least three are expected.

TROOP MOVEMENT NOW ALMOST COMPLETE

The work of discharging cargo from the transport Sheridan, and getting the baggage, equipment and freight of the Fifth Cavalry aboard, is progressing faster than was expected, and as a result the troopship is expected to sail at noon tomorrow, instead of at 5 p. m. The facility with which the big movement of local troops has been engineered, under rather adverse conditions, speaks volumes for the efficiency of the quartermaster corps here, and for the way in which the O. R. & L. Co. has operated its somewhat limited equipment.

This morning the remaining six troops of the Fourth cavalry boarded the train for Schofield Barracks, and at 9 o'clock the six troops of the Fifth left at Lihue via train for Honolulu. They will go aboard the Sheridan tonight, and the transfer of the two regiments of horse will be complete.

The Twenty-Fifth Infantry, which started its hike to Schofield Barracks yesterday morning, camped last night at Pearl City, and hit the road again early this morning. The regiment should reach Schofield this noon, two battalions going into the barracks vacated by the Second Infantry, while the other battalion will go into camp. This battalion can look for a long stay under canvas, for there is little chance of more funds being available for temporary cantonments. The request of the department commander for a cantonment for the First Infantry when that organization arrived here was turned down by the War Department, for the reason that no more money was to be spent for temporary quarters at the post, so there is no reason to believe that an exception will be made for more recently arrived troops. The camp of the Twenty-fifth would be comfortable enough had tent flooring been sent as recommended, but there was some hitch at the other end of the line, and for the time being the men must put up with dirt floors. It may take several months to get the matter straightened out.

Artillery Satisfied.
While not exactly resting in the lap of luxury, the two companies of Coast Artillery at Fort Kamehameha are making out well enough, and in a short time their permanent camp will be a model in every way.

A good climate makes up for a multitude of omissions, said Captain Taylor, commanding the 68th company, and now post commander at Kani. "We are better off in camp

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MANOA RESIDENTS STIRRED TO ACTION BY SCHOOL CONDITIONS

Overcrowding And Sanitary Laxity Taken Up By Special Committee



PROTEST OF HAWAIIANS EMBARRASSES

Filed with Clerk of Senate and Read in Open Session--Local Kick Against Frear Causes Trouble--Is Held for Executive Session and Discussed Later

By C. S. ALBERT

(Special Star-Bulletin Correspondence)
WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 5.—When the Democrats of Hawaii formally protested against the confirmation of Governor Frear another obstacle was placed in the pathway of success. It had already become apparent that no action would be taken on the nomination, giving Governor Frear another term, because of the general agreement among the Democrats that all of President Taft's civil appointments would be held up until after March 4. The protest from Honolulu only served to strengthen the argument of the Democrats and make confirmation more difficult and less probable.

The Hawaiian protest, addressed to the president pro tem. of the senate, was laid before that body in open session when it reconvened after the Christmas holiday recess. The clerk began reading the two communications in a loud voice when Mr. Gallinger hopped to his feet and withdrew them. They should have been presented in executive session. That course was followed several days later, when it was found possible to have a secret palaver over nominations.

Senators were generally much impressed with the directness and straightforwardness of the protest filed by the Democratic territorial committee of Hawaii. A brief letter from Secretary Gabriel K. Keaweakua announced:

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THREE PARKS FOR PUNCHBOWL FOLKS

At least three parks are to be given the residents of the Punchbowl district. This is the announcement today of Land Commissioner Joshua Tucker, in response to queries by citizens of that neighborhood. The land for these already has been set aside in large part, and George E. Marshall, who recently was given the contract to build highways and lay storm sewers, making the preliminary preparations for the use of these parks, already has begun work.

These park sites include, first, Block No. 6, including the government stone quarry and the entire unclaimed tract adjoining it; second, Summit Park, in Blocks No. 13 and 14, above the storm ditch and the proposed extension of Prospect street; and third, lot 1, block No. 23, at Punchbowl Drive and Lusitana avenue.

About five tons refrigerated provisions will be forwarded to Faunua island as part cargo in the little schooner Luka. This vessel it is believed will get away for the south seas this evening.

The Inter-island steamer Mikahala is expected to be placed on berth to sail for Kauai ports this evening, in place of the steamer W. G. Hall.

AT MANOA SCHOOL.—The top picture, left, shows the number of children crowded into the little frame structure, shown at the right. Below is the water-tap and single drinking-cup used by the school. Some of the children prefer to drink water from the fire-patches.

Fifty-Two Pupils Jammed Into Small Room in Badly-Dilapidated Building--Other Children Forced To Walk To Distant School--Department of Instruction Has No Funds, And Supervisors Are Looked To For Relief

WHAT INVESTIGATION SHOWS AT MANOA SCHOOL

Fifty-one children crowded into one small room.
Building poorly lighted, poorly ventilated, in frightfully dilapidated condition, and without sanitary accommodations.

Children forced to sit three at a desk, interfering with study and ordinary comfort.

Water supply furnished by one small tap, and one tin drinking-cup used for entire school.

Another building, a few feet away, the gathering-place of hoodlums and used at night for immoral purposes.

Manoa residents, complaining in vain of recalcitrant conditions, now have taken the matter up through the improvement club and demand that the school authorities make a change for the better.

Stirred by intolerable conditions at the Manoa school, residents of the valley have carried the campaign for relief to the Manoa Improvement Club and last Monday night a committee was named to take up the matter of getting a new structure. The committee is composed of C. H. Gere, A. W. Meyer, George Engle and Miss Rose Davidson.

Overcrowding, lack of sanitary arrangements, surroundings tending to degrade the pupils, a building that is unsafe and so dilapidated that rain can beat through the windows, are some of the conditions from which Manoa, on behalf of the school

children of the valley, is demanding relief.
A reporter for the Star-Bulletin spent a large part of yesterday in investigating the school conditions and in talks with residents of the valley. Men and women alike are emphatic in their condemnation of present conditions. In fact, several prominent women of the valley are foremost in the campaign for improvement.

The school building is located on East Manoa road, two blocks from the car line. It is little more than a shack. It cannot accommodate all

This announcement comes from the Japanese committee appointed some time ago at the behest of the promotion committee to make arrangements for the Japanese participation, and comes after nearly a month's deliberation. Attorney A. K. Ozawa is chairman of this committee.

A month ago the committee, with the people of that nationality this year, though they have consented to supply all the Japanese lanterns which those of other nations may want to carry as a part of the illuminated cavalcade.

CUT OUT LANTERN PARADE

Keeping faith to the Nipponese custom of participating in no public celebration during the year following the death of their emperor, the Japanese at Honolulu have decided to take no conspicuous part in the big evening parade here on Washington's Birthday, and that affair in which the local Japanese colony has always played a prominent and picturesque part in former years is to be conspicuous by its absence next month.

There were about 2000 Japanese carrying the colored lanterns and high-colored regalia in the evening parade last year, forming probably the greatest section of the celebration. Only one automobile will represent

MAY READ THE "INSURGENTS" OUT OF PARTY

Supervisors McClellan, Petrie and Markham to Be Called on the Carpet by the County Committee at Tomorrow Night's Meeting--Declared to Have "Violated Their Party Pledges" and to Be Unfit to Associate with Bona Fide Bourbons

If Supervisor Pacheco has his way the "insurgent" Democratic members of the board will be read out of the Democratic party by the county committee at a meeting of that body tomorrow night. Such at least is the plan now being considered by Pacheco and his allies in the committee.

In a fiery statement made to the Star-Bulletin this morning, Mr. Pacheco denounced the stand taken by the three supervisors, and declared that they are no longer fit to associate with straight Bourbon members of the board or with good Democrats anywhere.

He stated that he intends to act at once on their failure to obey the demands of the county committee and quoted at length from the rules of the Democratic party in Oahu, as formulated by the leaders of that party prior to the nominating convention, at which the insurgents received their nomination.

While he could not speak for the majority of the county committee Pacheco seemed to have no doubt that the body will oust Messrs. McClellan, Petrie and Markham from the ranks of Democracy. He said:

"As chairman of the territorial committee."

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BRITISH SHIP IS AGROUND AT VIGO

(Associated Press Cable)
VIGO, Spain, Jan. 16.—The British steamer Veronesi ran aground this morning on the rocky coast of Vigo Bay, near where the famous naval battle was fought more than a century ago. She has one hundred and thirty-nine passengers on board. So far all efforts of the life savers here to reach her have proved fruitless as the monster seas drove back the boats, and she is too far out to permit the use of the rocket and line. It is feared that she will begin breaking up under the heavy pounding of the waves and that all on board will be lost.

KEENE'S FORTUNE GOES TO WIDOW

NEW YORK, Jan. 16.—James R. Keene's vast estate, amounting, it is estimated to between ten and fifteen millions of dollars, goes to his widow. The multi-millionaire sportsman leaves her everything he died possessed of but in a clause in his will directs that she make suitable provision for their son, Foxhall. Just what this provision shall be, however, left to "her judgment."

EDITOR BARRED

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—Edward Mylius, a prominent British journalist has been refused admission into this country because the board of immigration officials have found him to have been guilty of "moral turpitude" in publishing the false report of the marriage of King George of England. Mylius was tried and found guilty of criminal libel and was sentenced to a long term of imprisonment.

TO REBUILD CANTON CITY

Chief Engineer of the Province Reaches San Francisco and Announces Plan to Raise Five Million Dollars to Erect a New City on Site of Burned Buildings

(Special Star-Bulletin Cable)

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 16.—Mr. Johnson, engineer in chief of the province of Canton, China, has reached this city, and announces that he has come to raise five million dollars to rebuild the city of Canton, in preparation for the vast increase in trade which China is expecting when the Panama canal is opened. He declares that China, and especially the Canton province, is determined to benefit largely through the growth in commerce and believes that the United States is willing and anxious to aid every means in this country's power to advance which the Chinese hope to be able to make in the near future. The plans for the new Canton are tremendous, declares Mr. Johnson.

HEART FAILURE TAKES PASSENGER ON WILHELMINA

(Associated Press Cable)

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 16.—While en route from the Matson line, the Wilhelmina today announces the sudden death of Mrs. W. F. Thummel, daughter of William Peters Hephburn. Mrs. Thummel, says the dispatch, was stricken suddenly with heart disease when the steamer was about 85 miles out of the Golden Gate.

Mrs. Thummel was the aunt of H. M. Hephburn, manager of the Hawaiian Electric Company, and was on her way from her home in Brighton, Long Island, New York, to visit him here. It would have been her first visit. Mrs. Thummel stopped over in San Francisco for a couple of days with other relatives. She is survived by a husband.

HOME RULE BILL PASSES THIRD COMMONS READING

(Special Star-Bulletin Cable)

LONDON, Jan. 16.—The Home Rule bill, on which the Liberal ministry has staked its existence, today passed the third reading in the house of commons and will go to the lords at once. Its fate there is doubtful, although both Lloyd George and Premier Asquith have declared themselves confident of its ultimate passage.

S. S. SONOMA HIT SUNKEN WRECK

(Associated Press Cable)

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 16.—Cabled dispatches from Suva, Fiji Islands, announce that the Oceanic liner Sonoma struck a submerged wreck several days out of Sydney, and that the shock when the blades of her starboard propeller hit the obstruction, snapped the massive tailshaft like a broom handle. The dispatch asserts that the vessel is proceeding slowly on her way, and that no one was injured in the least by the accident. She may be delayed a week by the collision.

GRAND DUKE IS DEGRADED AFTER WEDDING FOR LOVE

ST. PETERSBURG, Russia, Jan. 16.—The czar today ordered the confiscation of all the property of the Grand Duke Michael, and the appointment of a special guardian to care for the nobleman's estate and person, following the Grand Duke's marriage with a person of inferior rank. The disgrace of Michael was further increased when orders were received stripping him of all his military rank, and reducing him to the level of a private citizen. The emperor is intensely displeased with his relative, as the marriage followed distinct orders from the court that it should not take place under any circumstances. The wife of the grand duke is said to be very beautiful and accomplished.